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Dear Readers,

June is quickly approaching, and we will be electing new officers. June will also mark the end of two years of my serving as Bugle editor. I've enjoyed my part in the Bugle, but it is time for a new editor to take our NCIWC chronicle on. If any of you are interested, please get in touch with Nancy Aiken, Carol Gabriel or me. I will be happy to explain what the job entails.

Barbara Shaw

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...A Profound Respect...

Lore Moore offers the following personal letter to those of us who love our hounds as she and Lunde love theirs. Ed.

7 December, 1976

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Moore,

I was very sad to learn that Pooka died while I was on vacation. Although I have met many animals at Dr. Gregg's office, Pooka stands out in my mind as a very special patient.

She was gentle and cooperative with all of us at the hospital. The ready way she granted us her trust showed clearly the loving environment from which she came. I am sorry she is no longer with us but I know her brief life was happy. In the short span she was granted, she brought a profound respect for her breed to all who met her.

Sincerely,

Susan Berbec

(Evening and weekend
receptionist)

Pooka (Ch. Timberlane Sean Colin ex Timberlane Kelly) was only a year and a half old when she died. She was a beautiful, loving, happy, young girl. 🌸

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OFA# IW366 61704

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839 Topper Lane
Lafayette, California 94549
Phone: 415 283-3285

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(CH. Timberlane Colin O'Heigh x CH. Major
Acres Kilfenora Tara) Light Grey Brindle
3-27-74

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Livermore, California 94550
Phone: 415 443-6669

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(Ch. Magnus of Arraghglen x Ch.
Mollie of Tara Heights) Red Brindle
OWNER: Agnes Tara

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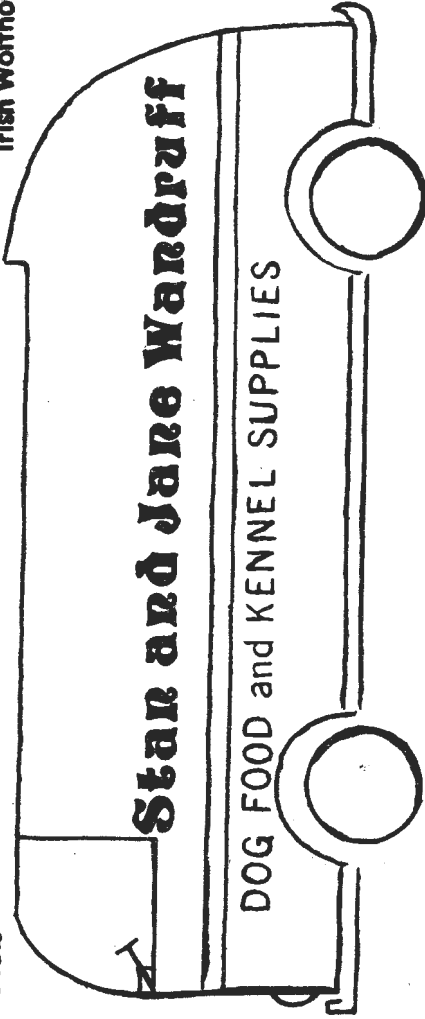
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(Ch. Timberlane Colin O'Heigh x Ch.
Maghera Glass Ban Madrin) Wheaton 11-20-73

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New ten-part test measures dog's IQ

By ROYAL BRIGHTBILL

BATON ROUGE, La. (UPI) — Just because your timid mutt barks at his shadow does not mean he is stupid.

What really counts is whether he can grab a doggie yummy from under an overturned shoebox or fight his way out of a towel wrapping in 15 seconds.

Those are the toughest hurdles in a 10-part dog intelligence test developed and published by school psychologist Cathy Coon, who once thought her dog was the dumbest in the world.

"I had friends who thought they had the smartest dog," Mrs. Coon said. "I devised a test so we could find out exactly how smart or dumb the dogs were."

One of the more significant findings of her three-year part-time study of more than 100 dogs was that most owners had no accurate idea of the intelligence of their pets.

"Those that thought their dogs were dumb found out they were pretty smart, and those that thought their dogs were smart found out they were not so smart," she said.

On a scale of 0-10, Very Dumb to Brilliant, the mean test score is 5.75.

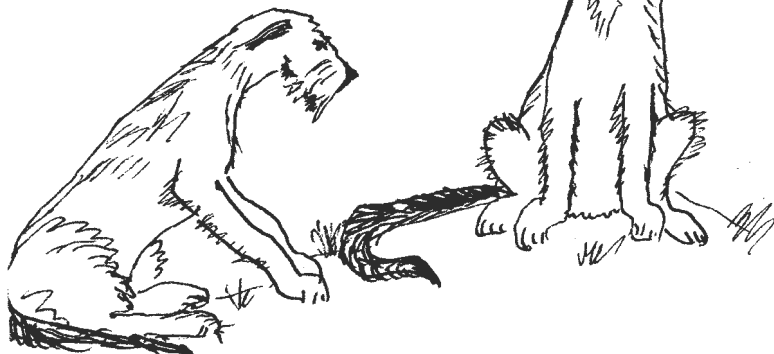
Purebred hounds scored highest, a 7.63 average. Toy poodles were worst, 4.78.

Obedience school dogs were no better than unschooled dogs. Mixed breeds were about as smart as pure breeds. Male dogs were slightly smarter than female dogs, but not significantly.

"The Dog Intelligence Test Manual," complete with test, scoresheet and findings, sells for \$3 to dog owners curious about the IQ of their pets.

Already the test has been put to other uses, however.

To think a
SON OF MINE could
flunk "find the
yummy under the
box" ... I am
APPALLED!!!



NCIWC TREASURER'S
REPORT

Revenue and Expenses from 7-15-76 through
12-31-76 (including pre 7-15-76 expenses
allowable to 7-17-76 Fun Match)

REVENUES

7-17-76 Fun Match

Profit from Obedience	\$57
Pin sales	97
Lunches	78
Entries	<u>95</u>
	\$327

Coursing

Profit, 11-14 Lure	\$51
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Hunts

Entries	\$153.50
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ads, subscriptions	23.50
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EXPENSES

7-17-76 Fun Match

Pins, trophies	\$343
Printing, Postage	<u>22</u>
	\$365

Coursing

Blankets	\$11
Judges	<u>\$75</u>
	\$86

Hunts

Rosettes	\$65	(for entire year)
Postage	51	
Huntmasters	10	
Judges	<u>25</u>	
	\$151	

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Postage	\$23
Printing	<u>242</u>
	265

Insurance \$132

Secretary & Treasurers
Expenses
Posting and Supplies \$60

Meeting Room Rental \$60
(Marin CO. Humane Soc.)

Purchase Typewriter \$185

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Last Year's Yearbook Recap
Cost=\$375.82
Sales=229.00
146.82 Deficit

Total 76 to 77 Membership Revenue=\$702.00

NCIWC FUN MATCH ENTRIES 1-16-77

2-4 Month Puppy Dog
no entries

4-6 Month
1. Major Acres Jon O'Sullivan-Major
2. K.C. O'Casey-Dan & Pam Ortner

6-9 Month
1. Ballymor Ajax-Moore
2. Keystone's King's Counsel-Hays
3. Capra's Timberlane Gavin-Madden
4. Tara's Damion of Destiny-Tara & Tierney

9-12 Month
1. Major Acres Carney-Martin Mulac

2-4 Month Puppy Bitch
no entries

4-6 Month
1. Kilcorey Alexis of Limerick-Shaw

6-9 Month
1. Major Acres Chatty Cathy-Major
2. Capra's Timberlane Mave-Madden
3. Timberlane Kitty O'Shea-Turnage
4. Pern Perelandra-Cromer & Cohee

9-12 Month
no entries

Best Puppy: Ballymor Ajax
BOS Puppy: Major Acres Chatty Cathy

Open Dogs

1. Major Acres Brigadeer-Miller
2. Souza's Shadow-Souza
3. Ronor's Shaughnessy O'Toole-Henson

Novice Bitch

1. Mollie Mala of Hampden House-Waters

Bred by Exhibitor Bitch

1. Major Acres Blessemall-Major
2. Timberlane Twinkle O'Toole-Turnage

Open Bitch

1. Ronor's Macree of Barra Gwynn-Aiken
and Northcott
2. Catch the Winds Minella-Tara
3. Canyon Creek Killarney-DeHaan
4. Souza's Muggins-Souza

Best Adult: Ronor's Macree of Barra
Gwynn

BOS Adult: Major Acres Brigadeer-Miller

OBEDIENCE

Sub Novice

Ballymor Ajax-Moore

Ballymor Aileen-Moore

Utility

Ch. Major Acres Just Plain Calvin CDX-
Moore

...And our lovely Parade of Title Holders...


Ch. Banvaragh of Major Acres-Major

Ch. Ballykelly Maudh-Major

Rockaplenty Aife of Eagle, CD-Russell

Ch. DeNora of Tara Hts.-Miller

Ch. Timberlane Donal Dee Dum-Tierney

Ch. Darianne of Tara Hts.-Tara 

NCIWC
ANNUAL WINTER SPECIALTY FUN MATCH

Sunday, January 16, 1977, was a lovely day for our Winter Match which had been so ably organized by Carol Gabriel. There were seventeen puppies and eleven adults present for Connie Miller's judging. In addition, there were three obedience performances that the spectators thoroughly enjoyed. Boardman Moore's chagrin at Calvin's amorous pursuits during Cal's Utility exercise was a humorous highlight.

Mrs. Miller chose the Moore's Ballymor Ajax (Ch. Major Acres Just Plain Calvin CDX x Major Acres Rial Dhu CD) as her Best Puppy. The Major's Major Acres Chatty Cathy (Ch. Major Acres Victor Vheevil x Major Acres Killarnee Dhu) garnered the BOS Puppy award and, like Ajax, had come from the 6 to 9 month class. All the puppies were nicely exhibited and were obviously having a great day showing their "stuff." Of course, Connie Miller's through yet gentle handling of our youngsters and her clear instructions to us owners made showing under her a delight. Her Best Adult Kudos went to Ronor's Macree of Barra Gwynn (Ch. Wild Isle Warlock x Ch. Fleetwind Rosise of Ronor) owned by Nancy Aiken, Gene and Royce Northcott. The George Miller's Major Acres Brigadeer (Ch. Major Acres Vanguard x Ch. Fannee Manahan) made his NCIWC fun match debut with a BOS Adult award.

The part of the day I found most enlightening and provocative was Mrs. Miller's critique of the total entry. She explained that her judging of the puppies was based upon how well coordinated the puppy

appeared while moving and, of course, how closely the puppy conformed to the Breed Standard. Her BOB Puppy was chosen for his coordination which was, in her opinion, remarkable for a male of his age. Mrs. Miller also looked for a "balanced" animal, one whose front and rear matched. She explained that she was looking for the dog whose front moved no wider nor narrower than its rear, both preferably moving in single track.

Mrs. Miller also offered some criticism of our hounds. First, she prefaced her comments with references to our Standard and to early literature and pictures of our Breed. Based upon extensive research, her interpretation of our Standard includes a distinctly Greyhound type animal, specifically- a larger, longer legged, wirey coated animal between the Scottish Deerhound and Great Dane in substance. At this point, she refuted an often quoted observation that the Danes of the time our original standard was written were Mastiff-like in substance. She said that, on the contrary, these early Danes or Boarhounds were lithe, supple, hunting animals and not cumbersome or grossly overboned.

She felt that most of our hounds were too large or heavy boned. Moreover, she observed that this trend to larger, heavier animals is an unhealthy move away from the dog originally intended by Captain Graham. She also noted that

heads were too broad in the skull and often included an unwanted, distinct stop. These heavy heads, she stated, might account for poor head carriage and uninspiring front movement. Again, she recommended we observe the Greyhound head and imagine as the ideal I.W. head, one which would have the same proportions as the former. In addition, front quarters were criticized for being too wide moving, often due to the poor placement of fore quarters which appear to be bulging from the sides of the dog's chest in Mastiff fashion. The last critical problem is, according to Connie Miller, the result of our breeding for gross size and bulk.

Appropriately, Mrs. Miller would not leave us with critical comments alone. She offered carefully considered advice about breeding future generations. She called upon us to use dogs of moderate size (bone) for breeding and suggested we avoid the use of overly large bitches especially, commenting that though these often win prestigiously, they do not often produce the animals we should be striving for. She did not prescribe that we entirely eliminate our large boned animals who are balance and sound from breeding programs. Instead, we should breed judiciously, breeding larger boned animals to finer boned, houndier ones. Finally, she did recommend that this is the time to stop breeding for "big," including height. According to Connie, we have achieved adequate height with 33 to 34 inch males and bitches who are slightly shorter. Now is our time to breed for the original Greyhound type animal, an animal built to hunt.

Notwithstanding each owner's or each breeder's opinion regarding Mrs. Miller's position, Connie Miller is to be admired for her conviction and for her interest in our Breed. I can't help but concur with one of our newer members who remarked, "I really got a great deal out of what Connie Miller said. She really gave me something to think about!"

All of us thank you, Carol Gabriel, Betty Moore, and Connie Miller, for an extraordinary day. 🌸

FINANCIAL RESULTS 1-18-77 FUN MATCH

INCOME

Entries	135.50
Lunch	62.00
Catalogs	<u>8.50</u>
	\$206.00

Expenses

Ribbons, Trophies	54.00
Lunches	<u>18.44</u>
	\$72.44

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Submitted by John Hays, Treasurer

Thank you, Carol. You did a marvelous job. Ed.

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